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poetry.

From the Southern Literary Meisenger. NAPOLEON'S GRAVE.

IBY R. H. WILDE, CF GEORGIA Faint and sad was the moonbeam's smile, . Sullen the moon of the dving wave, Hoarse the wind in St Helen's isle, As I stood by the side of N spoleon's Grave.

And is it here that the here lies, Whose name bath shaken the earth with

And is this all that the earth supplies? A stone his pillow-the turf his bed!

In such the meral of human life? Are these the limits of glory's reign? Have oceans of blood and an age of strife, A thousand battles been all in vain?

Is nothing left of his victories now But legions broken--a sword in rust -A crown that cumbers a dota d's brow-A name and a requiem? - dust to dust!

Of all the chieftains whose thrones he reared, Were there none whom kindness or faith could bind?

Of all the monarc's whose crowns he spared, Had none one spark of his Roman mind?

Did Prussia cast no repentant g'ano ? Did Austria shed no remorseful tear. When England's faith and thine honor, France, And thy friendship, Russia, was blasted here!

No!--Holy leagues, like the heathen heaven. Ungodike shrunk from the giant's shock, And glorious Titan-the unforgiven-Was duomed to his vulture, and chains, and

And who were the gods that decreed thy doom?

A German Casar - a Prusian Sage, The Dandy Prince of a counting-room, And a Russian Greek of the middle age!

Men called thee Despot, and called thre trues But the laurel was earned that bound thy

And of all who were it alas! how few . Were as free from treason and guilt as thou! Shame to the Gaul! and thy faithless horde! Where was the oath which thy soldiers

swert ? Frand still lucks in the gown-but the sword Was never so false to its trusts before!

Where was the vetrans boast that day *The old guard dies," but 'it never yields!" Oh! for one heart like the brave Dessain, One phalanx like those of thy early fi lds! But no! no! it was Freedom's charm Gave them the courage of more than men;

You broke the magic that nerved each arm, hough you were insincible only then! From the Saturday Courier.

The Coronation Day.

Trans'ated from the Prench. BY 8. F. G.

When his marriage with Josephine de Beaubarnois was deci 'ed upon by Napoleon, then a simple General, he of en accompanied his betro hed on foot to the different dwellings which they visited .--One day she requested his company to the house of Mons. Reguideau, an o'd Notary who the young widow honoured with her confidence, and who consulted with her not only on affairs of interest, but even on the most lutimate secrets which exist in the hearts of women.

Arrived at the Notarie's, at the door of the office, where was employed his clerks, Josphine detached herself from the arm of Napoleon, and immediately entered the private cabinet of the business man, But by means of the opportunity which the young widow gave him, by inadvertently leaving the door of the cabinet partly open, Napoleon overheard, where he ens remaining outside, without suffering a single word to escape him, the follow-

ing couversation, which passed:
. "Mons. Raguideau," said Josephine. 4-I wish to make known to you the fact of my approaching marriage.

"You, Madame; and with whom?" "I espouse shortly General Bonaparte." "What! the widow of a military officer, and will you marry another? General Bonaparte, say you? Ah! yes, I remember him, the commander of the army of the interior, the ex-chief of battalion, who object? Well! what say you now, are nt Toulon gave a lesson in artiflery to Gen. Cartaux."

"Himself, Mons. Raguideau." "But he is a man without fortune, Mad-

"He does not possess much, it is true. but his house is in the street Chanterine." "A small affair! and your marriage is prevocably determined?"

"Without doubt, Monsieur." "So much the worse for you, Mad

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WHOLE No. 631.

"Why so, if you please, Monsieur Raguidenu?"

"Why? because it is better to remain a widow, than to marry a General without anything but his nane. Your Bounparte will never be a Dumowriez, a Pichegru. Will he never be coual to any of the great Generals of our Republic? I do not think so; besides, you know that a bearas contractor in one of our armies.

"Every one to his taste, Monsieur," re plied Josephine, a little drily, wounded, without doubt, at the irreverence with which the Notary had spoken of a man whom she loved; "Every one to his own taste, you know, that in marriages, an af-

"And you, Madame," interrupted the obstinate Raguideau, "you know it is an affair of the heart and inclination; that is what you wish to say - is it not so? Well! you are wrong; the gold epauletts of a General are very dazzling, you know well; proceed not to prepare an inevitable repentance, in espousing, I repeal, a man without fortune; a man who has on-

ly his cap and sword to depend upon." While hearing this conversation, Napoleon, who probably feared a little for his marriage projects, from the results of the counsel of Raguideau, boiled on his chair with impatience and anger; his sudden movements during this converse, his vexation, showed his discontent; and twenty times he was on the point of opening entirely the door of the room, and telling the notary to occupy himself with his contracts of sale and his inventories, instead of intermedding with the affairs of others, at the moment especially when the words cap' and sword struck upon his ear' he rose up briskly, his eyes sparkling, and he made one step towards he door. Happily the fear of covering himself with ridicule, retained him, and he proceeded to reseat himself, a ltttle ashamed at his heedless movement.

A few minutes after, Josephine, with an unpleasant air, left the cabinet of the Notary, who accompaned her as far as the door of the office, and Bonaparte, in taking the arm of his future wife, to re. conduct her home, made to the man of busines, without saying a word, a salute most cool and disdainful.

During the passage home, Josephine observing that Napoleon was more asstracted than usual, pressed his arm still mare tenderly than she ordinarily did; however, he kept with her the most profound silence of that which he had just heard; and as far as to the day of coronation, neither Roguideau nor Madame Bonaparte had the least suspicion that their conversation had for an invisible auditor that same person of which it was the

Several years clapsed; the campaigns of Italy, the victories of Egypt, advanced the livie General. Then came the 18th Brumaire: (Nov. 19, 1790.) still Napor leon, little satisfied with the Consulate for wished the Empire : and France consulted, responded by near four million written adhesions, that they gave the hereditary empire to its First Consul; it was then obliged to Crown Napoleon, and the Pope came to Paris for the ceremony of coronation.

The day of this solemnity, at the moment when he had set out for the Arch bisho rie, Napoleon appeared to recollect, for the first time, the Notary Raguideau. On the leaving of his small apartments, he walked quite joyous in the hall of his throne, when suddenly he arrested hims.lf. and made a sign to one of his Chamberlains: "I wish brought here the Nolary Ragnideau," said he to him, and the Camberlain proceeded to execute it mediately the order of the Emperor.

When made known that Napolen requested to see him, Raguideau was surprised and lost in a thousand conjectures of the true motive of this sudden convocation. When he arrived at the Tuitleries. and when he had passed through some of the balls, all resplendent with gilding, and full of marshals, of ministers, and of great officers of the Empire, they introduced him into the hall where Napoleon awaited him, in conversation with Jesephine.

" Ah! it is you, Raguideau, ' said Napoleon, immediately, half smilling; "I am very glad to see you." And with ut further preamble, he added: "You-re" collect the day when I accompanied to your house, in 1796, I think, Madame de Beault rno s, tosday Empress of France;" a d he laid an emphasis on the word 'Empress.' You recollect the praise that you gave of a military career, and the personal panegyrie of which I was myself the you a good prophet? You said I should never have aught but the can and sword. I have marched, however, and I have made more than one step despite your predictions. I need not s, eak to you of my fortune. After eight years of married life, I have brought a crown to give to my wife ! The crown of France !"

And in saying these words he pressed the hand of Josephine, who stood mute with astonishment at this unexpected

Stup fied at this apostrophe, but recol- | age he married a beautiful and charming | ed with a fearful and painful foreboding lecting then his discontented prognostics, Raguideau was only oble to stammer some words without meaning: "Sire-I know not-what! sire, have you - heard?"

"All, Ragoideau, walls have ears, and I owe you a puishment, for if my good Jos sephine had followed your counsel, it might have lost to her a throne, and to me er of arms is nothing now; and I would the best of women. You have been cul-prefer, of all the military grades, a place pable, Raguideau!"

At the words "culpable" and "punishment," the poor Notary, more disconcerts ed than ever, turned pale and trembled in all his numbers; he almost feared that the Emperor would make him passa council of war for having dared to doubt his genius and presperity; and he fell upon his knees to a k pardon, when Napoleon, after amusing himself some moments at the fright of the giver of sad counsel, pitied him, and to dissipate his terrors,

· Come, comfort yourself, my punishment shall be all ogether parental: I condemn you to go to-day to Notre Dame. and assist at the ceremony of my crowning !- and that I see you there! Do you hear, Monsieur, be present to the church -on the passage of my cortege !"

Raguideau calmed himself, and respiring more freely, stammered some excuses, and then left the hall for the purpose of going to Notre-Dame : and Napoleon, after having laughed several moments with Josephine, at the Prophet Raguideau, descended into the Court of the Tulleries, mounted his carriage, and proceeded to the Archbishoprie. At this moilleries, and a discharge of artillery announced his arrival at the appointed place. When quitting the church to appear at the Archbishoprie, Napoleon perceived the Notary in the crowd, and smiled upon him with kindness; the poor man of business, dazzled with all this pomp, could hardly believe his eyes; and when the Emperor passed smiling before him, Raguideau made so deep a reverence, that it is said his forehead nearly touched the

THE PROTESTED NOTE. A PARODY ON THE 'BULLAL OF SIR JOHN MOORE ."

Not a dollar we saw - not a single note, As fast through the streets we hurried -Not a friend from h s beter would lend us a shot, And we felt confounded'y flurried.

We 'shinned" it hard at the middle of day, The alleys and corners turning, Neath the heated rays of an April oun, With our flushed cheek hotly turning.

Many and long were the prayers that we made, And our face bore the impress of sorrow, But the brokers to lend us we saw were afraid, And we bitter'y thought of the murrow !

No uncless sity disturbed their brasit, Self interest, only had bound them, And we envied the shavers taking their rest

With their stock certificates round them. We thought as we went from the street to the

('Twas new half-past two-we ran fast-) How the holders of our paper would be ar the shock

When they heard we'd laid over at last !

Darkly they'd talk of the merchant that's "gone," And over his protests upbraid him,

But little he'd "stepped" if he could have "gone on,"

And his debtors had du'y paid him,

But ha'f the needful fund we had raised. When the clock struck the hour of fate, And we knew by the Notury's heavy step, That, alas! it was now to late!

Si-wly and saily we gazed on our note, As payment he sternly demanded, And we brushed away a rising tear, And took the * protest" he handed.

AN AFFECTING STORY.

It was in the year 183-that a gentleman distinguished for his talents and intellectual abilities, suddenly resolved to abandon the habit of intemperance to which he had long been addicted. He was a remarkable and extraordinary man. His talents were of the first order, and his attailments were of the most extensive character. In person he was handsome, and possessed every exterior grace that could please or attract the eye. His manners were of the most p'easing and fascinating kind, and his coversation was of that varied and eloquent nature, that his company was in every condition of society desired. No man was more deeply versed in classical learning; and in the various branches of scholastic philosophy he was profound. In the lighter branches of polite literature, he had considerable acquirements, and indeed, in every branch of intellectual knowledge he was deeply read. He had been compared to Bolingbroke, who it is well known by the profoundness of his philosophy, and the elegance of his manners. could grace and give a charm to the drawing room, or teach lessons of wisdom in the Academy or Lyceum. At an early | brandy was obtained, and his wife look-

woman, and from the union of two persons so well adapted to each other, it might readily be supposed that the stream of happiness would continue uninterruptedly to flow; but alas! it was soon discovered that the possession of the highest attainments, and the most exalted genius afforded no security against the encreachments of a vice, whose course is marked by misery, and whose end is death. For years he was a complete victim to this degrading and unhappy vice, and from a considerable loftiness of reputation, had suck into the character of a common drunkard. Pover y bad entered his domicil, and he was frequently the subject of the most pressing want. His wife's jewelry had disappeared at the pawabroker's and his non extensive and valuable library had more with the same fate. Article after article of furniture had disappeared, and nothing now remained but that which was secured by law. His wife, who in her person had presented al! that en bonpoint of appearance which marks health, had wasted away to a mere shadow. Her disposition, which had formerly been live ly and vivarious, was now sorrowful and melancholy, and the children exhibited that ragodness of dress, which distingnished the offspring of those who are in-

A more affecting scene can hardly be imagined than that which occurred on a cold and bleak day in December, when the mother was seen pressing an infant to her breast, crowding to a few em bers that still remained on the hearth. Several small children surrounded her, crying with a Land begging their mother to give them some bread; but alas! she had none to give them. Along side in one corner, covered with a worn out rag, lay the husband in a beastly state of intoxication, with a jug of the fatal p ison at his head - a more distressing and heartrending scene cannot possibly be conceived-it was one calculated to draw tears from the most obdurate heart and often the most aband med soul .- There by the man whose lofty intellect and splendid taleuts were well suited to adorn a senate or rule a nation, a victim to the intoxicat-

ing draught that has destroyed thousands. What has just been described is no fiction. It is truth, without the aid of imagination or the colorings of fancy .-Twelve months from the period at which our story commences, on a cold winter evening, might be seen in a beautiful and snug little parlor, sitting on a sofa the same gentleman, dressed in a manner which indicated that he had not quite fall len a martyr to that poverty which is the invariable result of that habit to which he had been addicated. His brow was thoughtful, and an accute observer might perceive a shade of melancholly pass overhis countenance. In the same room, seated at a center table, was his wife, attired in a neat tasteful dress, reading one of those beautiful annuals of the season. Several Beautiful children were playing in the room, and their cheerful looks and comfortable clothing indicated that poverty had no residence there .-This little parlor displayed indeed no tokens of wealth, but evidently showed signs of comfortable enjoyments. Two beautiful vases adorned the mantle-piece, and underneath was seen the vivid light of an animating coal file, before which, on a rug, lay a favorite dog, who seemed to participate in the happiness which appeared to pervade the apartment. The wife looked up, and casting a glance at her husband, observed a gloominess of countenance which at once rivoted her attention. She closed her book which she had just been reading, and going to him, threw her arms around his neck, and tenderly inquired if any thing disturbed him. It was some moments before he made her any reply, and then he said, my dear, I must have half a pint of brau-

The wife became immediately agitated and in solicitous accents be sought him not to send for that poison which had formerly been nearly his ruin. She who but a few moments before had been realizing the feelings of perfect security, was now convulsed with sorrowful antic ipations, that a renewal of her husb and's former pernicious habits had taken place. Her bosom beaved with alarm, and as the tears gushed from her eyes, she implored him whom she had loved and adhered to with a devoted fidelity, through good and evil report, in disgrace and in poverty, that he sould not again tempt, by a single inputernce, a recurrence to habits which most destroy their present felicity, and forever annihilate their future hopes. The children partook of the sorrow of their mother; they left their innocent amusements, and with tears in their little eyes, begged their papa not lo get any more of that stuff which had made them poor, and their mamma cry. But the bushand appeared to be insensible to the affectionate remonstrances of his wife, and the arriess persuasions of his children. His eldest daughter, who on former occasions had gone on the errand, was now compelled to perform this; the

upon the decenter which contained the fatal poison. He tooked upon the brandy, approaching the table with a chair, he sat down and took the decanter in his hand; he held it up to the light and observed how beautiful its color. He then apostrophised thus ; O how I love thee, thou enticing and misery-dispensing spir. it; thou has been my bosom companion from morn till night, and from night till morning. I have loved thee with a love grieved as a mother grieves over the dead body of her child, when I found that the spirits of the bottle had departed; but I have found thee deceptions and ungrateful. Thou didst destroy my reputation. thou didst rob my pocket. You gave me disease instead of health, and made ler Nushau, in Africa. the heart of my wife pulsate unhappiness. My children wept at the ruin you entailed, and my house you made desolate and sorrowful. Twelve months have I parted from you, and I now renounce you forever, thou agent of destruction! won. His wife rushed into his arms, joy beaming in her countenance. She could only u ter, 'my husband!' who ten-

THE WIFE OF THEBEY OF TUNIS. A TUNESIAN WEDDING.

In the castle yard, (said a consular lady to Prince Puckler Muskau,) we were received by the bey's secretary minister. and conducted to the door of the second court. At the double dooor of the Harem two Mamelukes stood on guard, one of whom summoned an Italian interpretress, who invited us in. The room into which we were introduced was hung with gold, embroidered with satin; guilt bird cages were hung from the ceiling, and even here the walls were covered with sat the bey's wife, richly but not tastefully dressed. She rose, received us with the wantls, 'blessed be your entrance, and may you stay as long as is agreeable to you;' and made us sit beside her. Her arms and feet were bare; on the latter she wore small embroidered slippers, which so little came on to the foot, that she held them fast when she moved, between the great toe and the one next to it. From our seat-we looked through several rooms, in which were crowds of white and black slaves, sitting on the ground, some chattering, others variously occupied Altog ther I must have seen upwards of a thousand,

Having been well instructed, I had tieth in the list is Berlin, containing dressed myself gaudily and strikingly, 193 000; and the last Bristol, \$7,000. whilst my companions, happening to be mourning, were all in black. I, therefore, pleased the Princess best; she led me by the hand, and pressed me to ent. Our collation consisted of sweatmeats.

When we had eaten enough, the remainder was picked up into baskets, one of which was sent to each lady's house. Whilst we were eating, the bey, his brother, and several of the princes appeared, gazed curiously at us, and withdrew without speaking a word. Our visit ended by a tour through the harem, of which all the rooms were furnished alike; only a sleeping cabinet of the bey's had any thing remarkable, and of that the walls were decorated from top to bottom with small watches. The princess accompanied us to the harem door. The wedding was far more interesting. The ceremonies were performed in a beautiful marble court of the harem, over which was sprend a magnifident scarlet awning.

At the door of every room were placed face. wax candles of a foot in diameter, and painted with red and green winding stripes Over the fountain burnt hundreds of variegated lamps, and the whole scene called to mind the Arabian tales. To the sound of music, the bride, seated upon a cushion of gold brocade, was brought in by her prothers, and placed on an old-fashoined very costly arm chair, that stood in the centre of the court. Her dress was extraordinarily magnificent and heavy; the remarkable parts being a diadem loaded with jewels, splendid anklets, and dazzling bracelets. Arms and feet were bare; the soles and a small portion of the sides of the latter, as well as the finger and toe asso late, take all the pains to everhear nails, were colored a reddish brown with his discourse that you can; this will show henna, and eye brows and eye lashes good breeding. were dyed black .- She appeared with closed eyes, which she was not allowed to open during the whole day; and the husband was not permitted to see her for the first three days of their marriage. Beside her stood two dancing girls, and before bles offered to her, whilst the nature of et,"

rehearsed aboud. Every two hours the bride was carried to her room upon the cushion, new dressed and brought back to her arm chair. During the whole day the poor soul must not ent; so that between fuigue, fasting and the weight of her dress and jewels, the was repeatedly near fainting, when an old negress always put & pa file to her mouth, which evidently strengther d her. Our repust, as before, consisted of sweatments and colfie, choclate, lemonade, &c.; but the bey himselt was more conversable upon the present occasion, playing the friendly host, often lling us the house was ours, to use at densure. He himself took a candle to show us the bridge couch, of white satin, tastefully embroidered with gold, and which, on account of its height, was to be ascended by red satin steps. Suddenly the light he held went out, and we remained a while in the dark; this was considered an evil onen. * When the bridesurpassing that of woman, and I have groom is first admitted to the brides presence, the custom is that she should kiss his hand, and he place his foot upon hers, not as conjugal endearments, but in token of the husband's sovereignty.- The princess refused to conform to these customs, as unbecoming her birth .- Prince Puck-RIP VAN WINKLEISH -A short time

the gifts and the names of the givers were

nce, a man who had been fishing at the month of the Black river in New York drew his cause upon the beach, and sat down to cogitate upon the uncertainties thou demon of despair! With that, he of this world, "All liquors is cheap," hoisted the window, threw the bottle into said the fisherman. "All liquors is the street, and declared the victory was cheap, and I may as well take the bountiful." So saying he tipt a small canteen over a leather numbler, and drank the contents. We will not assert that derly embraced her and sealed her fore. he had drank previously, but we know. head with a kiss. The children ran to that soon after the last draught was swaltheir father, climbing his knees, and lowed, nature's sweet restorer breathed their cheerful pratiting told how they upon his cycballs, and stretching himself partook of the sympathetic joy. Even at length in the cance, he was soon in Neptune, on the hearth rug, raised his a profound slumber. The sleeper takes head, gave an encouraging look to his no note of time and when our friend master, and wagged his tail with evident awake, darkness had covered the face of the waters, the wind was blowing a gala and the cance was dancing upon the waves, as he afterwards asserted, "in the most unreasonablest manner." paddle was missing. He felt about for it, but it could not be found. All he could do was to remain perfectly quiet in his recumbent situation and ... luck." The canteen was again resorted to in desperation, and again had the de. sired effect. He slept a long time, and was awakened by some one shaking him violently. A friend had discovered him lying upon the beach with the water run. ning in at his mouth whenever he opened it. While he (imagined himself in some connivial party, where he was prest to weapons. Opposite to us; on an ottoman, drink) was murmering. " No more I'm obliged to you gentlemen Not any more. Thankee"-[Era.

> THE HUNDRED LARGEST CITIES IN THE WORLD .- A recent German publication gives the following curious calenlation respecting the hundred most popuous cities in the world; These are Jeddo, in Japan, 1,680,000 inhabitants; Pekin, 1.500,000; London, 1,300,000; Hans Ischen, 1,100 000 , Calcutta, 900,-000; Madras, 817,000; Nankin, 800 -000; Congo Ischen, 800,000; Paris, 717 000; Werst Chans, 600,000; Constantinople, 597,000; Benares, 530,000; Kin, 520,000; Su Ischen, 500,000; Hangh, Ischen, 500 000, Ser. The for-Among the hundred cities, two contain a million and a half, two upwards of a million, nine from half a million to a million, twenty-three from two hundred. thousand to five hundred thou-and, fif y six from one hundred thousand to two hundred thousand, and six from eightyseven thousand to one hundred thousand. Or these one hundred civies, flily-right are in Asia, and thirty-two in Europe, of which four are in Germany, four in France, five in Italy, eight in England, and three in Spain; the remaining ten ne divided between Africa and America.

> The New York Herald has an article under the head- 'Influence of a presty Girati-"Catherine Manly," said the Recorder yes. terday, in sessions, "you have been convicted of a very great crime. Tois stenling is a very serious effence, but as T. U ARE A PRITTY oracl we'll suspend judgment, it hopes you will do better for the future." Who can may at justice is blind! So much for a pretty

Coverns Tres. - A public assemblage in a are professors, but where very few of the professors are performers. Taking them one with mother, said the Rev. 8 — 8 — 1 believe my congregation to be the most exemplary observers of religious ordinances, for the poor keen all the fists and the rich all the feasts?"

Advice .- Whenever you see your neighbor's penkuife or pencilerase lying on his desk, pick it up and facked it, lest some one should steal it.

Whenever you discaver your friend conversing in a low tone with his latimate

Promising You'h - Mn - i'm next to the head. You don't say sr, Billy?-How many are there in your class, my boy? I and Sol Dean.

An old woman met a man with a craher stood a negross with a colassal tine- dle. "Ali sir," said she, "heheld the tured basin, in which were deposited the fruits of matriniony." "Scrity," was presents of gold, jewels and other valua- the answer, " this is only the fruit back-